75. (New) A polynucleotide according to claim 74 wherein the coding sequence is the coding sequence shown in SEQ ID NO 1.

76. (New) An isolated polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide which comprises the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 15.

77. (New) A polynucleotide according to claim 76 wherein the coding sequence is that shown in SEQ ID NO: 12.

78. (New) A polynucleotide according to claim 74 operably linked to a regulatory sequence for expression.

79. (New) An isolated polynucleotide which has at least about 600 contiguous nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of claim 74 or complement thereof.

80. (New) A polynucleotide according to claim 79 operably linked to a regulatory sequence for transcription.

81. (New) An isolated polynucleotide which has at least about 300 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence of claim 74, or complement thereof, operably linked to a regulatory sequence for transcription.

82. (New) A polynucleotide according to claim 74 wherein the regulatory sequence comprises an inducible promoter.

83. (New) A nucleic acid vector suitable for transformation of a plant cell and comprising a polynucleotide according to claim 74.

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84. (New) A plant cell containing a heterologous polynucleotide according to claim 74.

85. (New) A plant or plant part, which plant or plant part comprises a cell containing a heterologous polynucleotide according to claim 74.

86. (New) A method of producing a plant, the method comprising incorporating a heterologous polynucleotide according to claim 74 into a plant cell and regenerating a plant from said plant cell.

87. (New) A method of producing a plant, the method comprising incorporating a heterologous polynucleotide according to claim 79 into a plant cell and regenerating a plant from said plant cell.

88. (New) A method of stimulating a defence response in a plant, the method comprising causing or allowing